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Dear Honorable Commissioner:

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NOTICE OF EXPRESS ABANDONMENT

Notification is hereby being made of the filing of a continuation application for this case prior to the expiration of time to respond to any outstanding office actions. The present application is being abandoned upon the expiration of the extended period of time to respond.

Respectfully submitted,

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